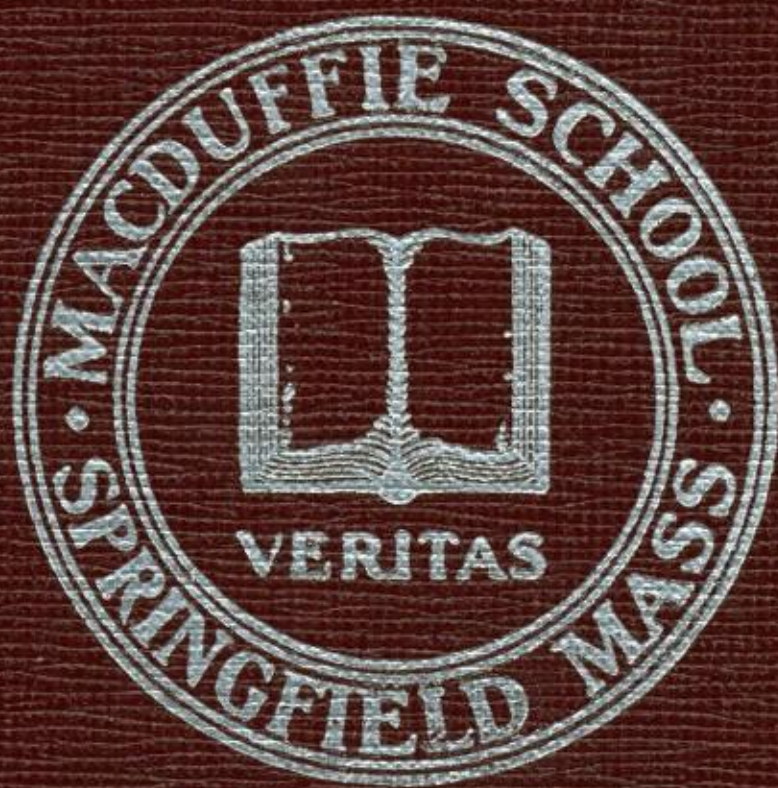
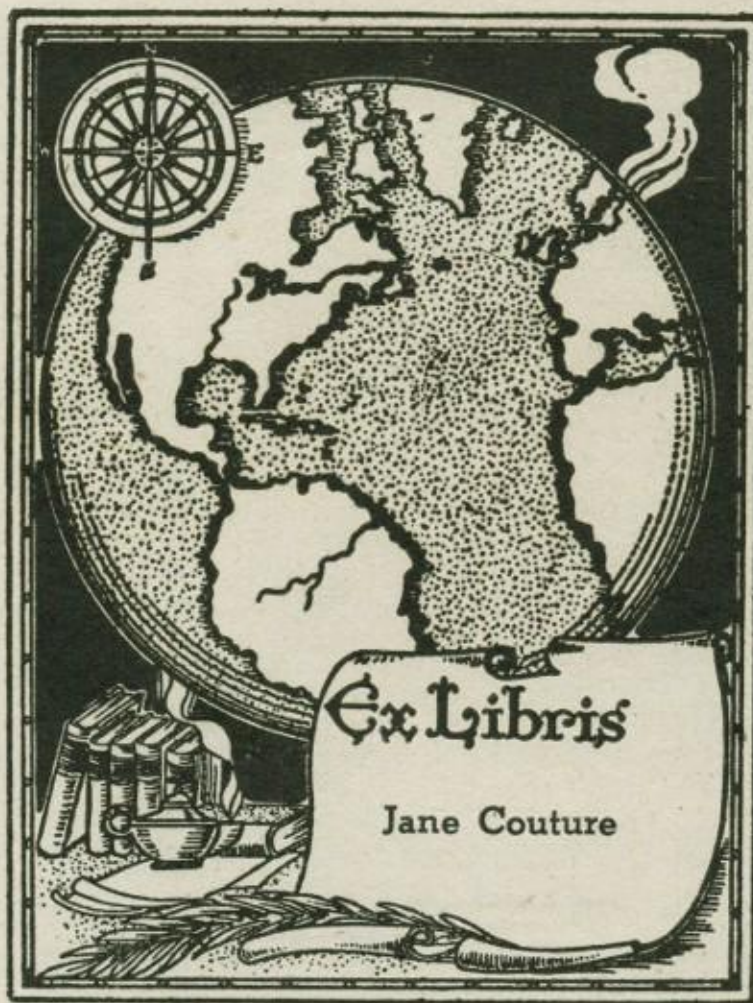


# THE MAGNOLIA



1947









# MACDUFFIE MAGNET

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## Students Elect Officers for Year 1947-48



Back row: Gould, Clark, Quigley, Marshall, Stevens; Middle row: Dickerman, Hurd, Bibber, Smith, Saunders; Front row: Ritchie, Davis, Huntington.

### Quigley Heads Student Council

On Friday, May 23, the annual elections were held for the major officers of the school. At this election, Barbara Jane Quigley was chosen President of the Student Council. Last year Barbara represented her class in the Council, and past experience will help her to carry on this important office.

Results show that Alice Marshall will be our Athletic Association President for the school year of 1947 and 1948. Alice in past years has been an active member of this organization, and this year she has been a representative from the Junior Class on the Athletic Association Council.

This year MacDuffie began a new plan for the election of class presidents. In past years the presidents have been elected in the fall of the year in which they were to serve. However, we are choosing next year's presidents now as it is our opinion that the old students know who is the best qualified for this position, since we have been in school together for this year. In many of the classes the voting was very close, but finally the class presidents have been announced.

Next year's Senior Class has elected Betty Ann Bibber to the office of President. Betty Ann has been President of the Shutterbugs and Assistant Editor of the Magnet. Beverly Davis has been chosen to head the Junior Class of next year. Beverly has been a Magnet reporter and Honor Roll student this year. Next year's sophomores have chosen

### Club Presidents Chosen

The members of the Dramatic Club voted Dorothy Stevens into the office of President. Dorothy has been Secretary-Treasurer of the club this year and also has participated in all of the club's activities.

Alice Marshall has been chosen by the members of the Leaders Corps to succeed Pat Dunn as President.

Gwen Saunders, who has been Librarian of the Glee Club this year, has been elected its President. Gwen is present Vice-President of her class and has also been active in Leaders Corps, Shutterbugs and Music Club.

The French Club members voted Carolyn Hurd, a third year French student, their President. Carolyn has been Feature Editor on the Magnet staff this year, and her poem, "Nature's Paintings," was published in the Anthology of Private School Poetry.

Roseda Clark, also a member of the Glee Club, has been elected President of the Music Club. Lois Dickerman will be President of the Shutterbugs next year. The Current Events Club has chosen Nancy Gould to be its President.

Lynne Huntington as their President. Lynne has been an active member of Dramatic Club this year, having had parts in "Eagerheart," the freshman class play, and "Brief Music." She also sings second soprano in the Glee Club. Jane Ritchie, has been elected President of next year's Freshmen.

### Sixteen Seniors to Receive Diplomas

The 57th MacDuffie graduation exercises will be held on Tuesday afternoon, June 10, 1947, at four o'clock in the Gymnasium. The program will be as follows:

The Procession — Pomp and Circumstance by Elgar

The Invocation

Glee Club — Directed by Mrs. Paul Sampson

"Now Let Every Tongue Adore Thee" by Bach

"Lift Thine Eyes" from "Elijah" by Mendelssohn

The Address by The Reverend John Homer Miller, minister of the Hope Congregational Church

Awarding of Prizes and Honors

Presentation of Diplomas

Alma Mater — "The Magnolia Song"

Prayer and Benediction

The recession — "Summer Suns Are Glowing" by Smith.

The graduates will be: Nancy Sargent Brodeur, Mary Carman, Sandra Cone, Patricia Joyce Dunn, Shirley Jean Edwards, Margot Fisher, Rue Dianne Forsland, Ann Elizabeth Hanifin, Judith Richings Hill, Polly Huggan, Mary Elizabeth Irwin, Ruth Mary McCarthy, Joan Emily Palmer, Elizabeth Ann Putnam, Elizabeth Thomas and Nancy Hoyt Vail.

### Betty Ann Bibber to Head Magnet Staff

The Magnet takes pleasure in announcing that Betty Ann Bibber will succeed Pat Dunn as Editor-in-Chief of the Magnet. Betty Ann has served capably this year as Assistant Editor and is genuinely interested in journalism. That experience as Editor of the Magnet is valuable is indicated by the fact that two former Magnet editors, Katherine Peffers, '44, and Jeanne Hapgood, '45, are both active on their respective college papers.

Second only to the Editor-in-Chief in importance is the position of Business Manager, and this office will be ably filled by Cynthia Smith, who has served faithfully as Assistant Business Manager under Nancy Brodeur.

The post of Literary Editor, in charge of all creative work in the Magnet, goes to Carolyn Hurd, whose delightful feature articles this year indicate her fitness for the position.

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# The Magnet

Editor-in-Chief—Patricia Dunn '47  
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 Nancy Lawrence '49, Margaret Schwarz '48,  
 Patricia Helwick '50, Mildred Davidson '48,  
 Grace Brooks '49.

## Art Staff

Mary Hogland '49, Alice Marshall '48,  
 Gertrude Gillette '48.

## Business Board

Mary Carman '47, Nancy Hulse '48, Mary King '49, Eden Fort '48, Ronnie Lee '49, Ann Hanifin '47, Mary Irwin '47, Eve-Marie Bourquin '48, Barbara Quigley '48.

## Editorial

On the tenth of June another Senior class will graduate. To the strains of "Pomp and Circumstance," we, who have been the Seniors of 1947, will leave MacDuffie . . . leave the classrooms, the hallways, and the dormitories for new worlds; but somewhere in the unseen, infrangible chain of friendship and cooperation that surrounds the school, new links will be added. They will be wrought of the countless memories, contributions, and experiences that have marked our stay here. They will be bright, strong additions which will be able to withstand any stress of worry or grief. They will be a part of the class of forty-seven which will remain with the school forever.

We have taken of the opportunities which MacDuffie has offered us. We have accepted the many lessons . . . scholastic and spiritual that it has taught. We have enjoyed the fellowship and the friendliness which is such an integral part of the school. In return for all this, we have tried to follow its rules, lend our contributions to its welfare, and become a part of its warm atmosphere. Now we will be graduating, and perhaps in the excitement of venturing out into new freedom, interests, and surroundings, we will forget that we are still a part of MacDuffie . . . that it is impossible to take of a thing and not become a part of it, and that therefore our excitement at new prospects is the school's excitement, our successes its successes, and our failures its failures. Our actions, commendable or otherwise, will reflect upon the school and not only upon ourselves.

## Headmaster's Column TO THE SENIORS

The results of the College Board of Examinations are now in, and you have made a splendid record. Most of the credit for your showing goes to the expert teaching and tireless help the faculty have given you; but part of it is indeed your own for the conscientious work you have been willing to put into your every-day lessons.

College, however, is only the immediate, not the permanent goal the school has set for you. Some of the finest and ablest girls we have are going directly into business, or professional school. We would be no more than a tutoring school, and educational mill, if college were the be-all and end-all of our educational ideals.

The final, permanent goal we have for you — headmaster, faculty, and parents alike — is less tangible than college admission, but much more important. That goal is character, Christian character. It is no easy goal — and no weak one. To be unselfish in a world which preaches a philosophy of looking out for number one; to believe in the things of the mind and the spirit in a world which bows lowest to material success; to hold to your highest ideals of conduct in the face of ridicule and almost universal compromise — these will be the marks of your strength.

In the friendly, community life of MacDuffie you have learned that no one lives to herself. You do not fight your battles alone: in school, in college, or in later life. Every unselfish person you have known helps you to be thoughtful of others; every person of honor and ideals helps you to be honest and true to your best; and the quiet confidence of those who have learned that the secret of life is to give and not get will come to you in times of confusion and restlessness. You in turn will influence all those who come in contact with you, even as you have been influenced by your parents, your teachers, and your fellow-students.

We do not wish for you a life of ease and comfort. We would not if we could shelter you from the difficulties and sorrows that open the eyes of the mind and the heart. We wish you rather the joy that comes from

So it is that on June tenth, when we walk away from the campus, we are not actually leaving it. The links of our years remain. If we can succeed, if we can be true to ourselves, if we can keep our direction in the rush of new winds to come, those links will become brighter each day. They will add to the school's greatness in the way in which we have tried to add to it during our stay. "If we can" is the challenge. "We can" is the determined promise. Let it be on our lips Commencement day and every day in which we work, and play and strive in the future that holds so much.

a fight well fought, and a job well done. We wish you the serenity that comes — only comes — from a strong religious faith.

You have not prepared for life at MacDuffie — you have lived it. In college, or in later life, you will need the same sort of character you needed here, and the same ideals. The love and loyalty and work you put into the school will remain there always. You have left your mark upon it, and we hope it has left its mark upon you.

## Parents' Association Ho'ds Bridge Tea

On the afternoon of Tuesday, May 27, the Parents' Association held a bridge-tea in the gymnasium in Howard Hall from two until four. The purpose of the tea was to obtain money for the purchase of additional equipment for the Reading Clinic or a new curtain for the Assembly Hall.

Decorations in the gym were in purple and white. The floral arrangement on the tea table was white lilac, pink dogwood and azalea.

At the close of the bridge, tea was served, with Mrs. Ralph D. Rutenber, Jr., and Mrs. Allen L. Gillett pouring.

General chairman for the affair was Mrs. Arthur B. Davis, President of the Association. Mrs. John Brett Fort was in charge of tickets; Mrs. Helge G. Hoglund was in charge of table prizes; Mrs. H. E. Savaria was in charge of tallies; and Mrs. Chester Bulkley was in charge of table arrangements. Also assisting were Mrs. Gladys P. Lee, Mrs. R. T. King, Mrs. L. A. Lyman, Mrs. W. C. Chisholm, Mrs. M. J. Ritchie and Mrs. Gillett.

The officers of the Parents' Association sincerely thanks all who contributed to the success of this affair

## A. A. Holds Picnic

The annual A. A. picnic was held on Saturday, June seventh. There was a Faculty-Student baseball game, yearbooks were given out, and the juniors continued the custom of singing to the seniors. Miss Collins awarded the athletic letters for the year, and of course there were refreshments in the best picnic style. In the afternoon, the finals of the tennis tournament were played off. This tournament is held yearly, and has become an established custom. Last year it was won by Mary Lou Laidlaw, and the year before by Joyce Smith.

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The rest of the Magnet Staff will be announced next fall after a month of try-outs. The Magnet this year, under Pat Dunn's capable leadership, has undoubtedly had the most successful year in its five years of existence. The school is extremely grateful to Pat and her staff, and is looking forward to great things from the new editors.



### Girl Scouts End Year with Tea

On Friday, May 30, the Girl Scouts gave a tea in Miss Couture's classroom, the occasion being a Court of Honor, at which badges earned during the year were awarded.

The event was planned by the girls themselves under the direction of the following committees: Program Committee: Janice Hanbury and Jane Ritchie; Decoration Committee: Faye Arnold and Sally Redden; Refreshment Committee: Nancy Good and Jeanne Lettis; Invitation Committee: Mollie O Bennett, Nan Chisholm, and Susan Pokorny. The program included singing, games, awarding of badges and refreshments.

The awards made were: The Photography Badge to Mollie-O Bennett, Sally Redden, Nan Chisholm, Janice Hanbury, Nancy Good, Susan Pokorny and Jane Ritchie; the Swimming Badge to Jeanne Lettis, and Jane Ritchie; the Tree-Finder Badge to Mollie-O Bennett, Nan Chisholm, Janice Hanbury, Sally Redden, Jane Ritchie and Susan Pokorny, and the Life Saving Badge to Jane Ritchie.

The rank of First Class Scout, which is given to girls who have completed the work for ten merit badges in certain prescribed fields of interest, was awarded to Nan Chisholm. Nan thus becomes the first Scout in Troop 58 to attain this rank.

As guests of honor, the girls invited Mr. and Mrs. Rutenber, Mrs. LaSalle, Miss Blakeslee and the Troop Committee members, Mrs. Pokorny and Mrs. Redden. Also, each girl brought two other guests.

The tea was most enjoyable and made a pleasant ending to a wonderful year.



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### Reading Clinic Installed At MacDuffie

For the past four months Mrs. Mary C. Stevenson of Mount Holyoke College has been conducting classes at MacDuffie in increasing comprehension, improving rate of speed in reading, more accurate oral reading, and to some extent vocabulary-building. With her extensive training in this field, she has aided many students in improving their reading efficiency to such an extent that their school work has greatly advanced.

She has done a remarkable job here in preparing girls for college and more extensive work. No girl has failed to respond to her training. Mrs. Stevenson's course concentrated mostly on comprehension, and speed in reading, and every girl showed in varying degrees signs of improvement in both. The reading rate improvements average 200 words more per minute with no girl improving less than 100 words per minute. The greatest improvement was 450 words per minute.

In dealing with comprehension, Mrs. Stevenson proved that almost without exception, there was a decided increase in comprehension with a rise in reading speed.

The success of such a course has been shown to be indisputable, and everyone at MacDuffie hopes that plans for an even more extensive course of this kind can be worked out for later years.

### Three Girls Given Recognition in Atlantic Monthly Contest

Three members of the sophomore class, Carol Comstock, Beverly Davis, and Nancy Lawrence, have received recognition for their entries in the Annual Secondary School Contest sponsored by the Atlantic Monthly. Nancy Lawrence's poem, "The Bird in the Forest," given top paper rating, was cited by the judges for its lyrical quality.

Beverly and Carol both achieved Merit rating for their short stories. Beverly's story, "The Cherry Life Saver," the judges considered "brisk, lively, and amusing"; while Carol's entry, "Left Foot, Right Foot" they found to be "very well written, with good economy of detail and sustained interest."

Considering the hundreds of papers submitted in these contests every year, Nancy, Beverly, and Carol can well be proud of their achievement.

### Girl Scouts Spend Night At Wit's End

After school on Friday, May 23, four members of the Girl Scout Troop, who had completed all their badge requirements: namely Nan Chisholm, Mollie-O Bennett, Jane Ritchie and Janice Hanbury, set out for a jolly time at Miss Little's and Miss Couture's cottage, Wit's End at Lake Congamond.

Friday night they went skating, and the rest of the time was spent swimming, boating, and loafing in general. They cooked all their meals except breakfast outside.

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## Seniors Enjoy Overnight Outing

The Seniors closed their books and pulled out their swimming suits Saturday, May 23, as they relaxed in the "heaven-like" atmosphere of the Brodeurs' cottage in Wilbraham. The group including Sandy Cone, Pat Dunn, Shirley Edwards, Margot Fisher, Rue Forsland, Ann Hanifin, Judith Hill, Polly Huggan, Ruth McCarthy, Elizabeth Putnam, Betty Thomas, Nancy Vail, their faculty adviser, Miss Briggs, and Miss Rice, all piled into three cars after the morning study hall, and drove off, leaving many looking enviously after them.

On the way, they stopped for a snack at Howard Johnson's to assuage their appetites; but when they arrived at the cottage, the wonderful lunch of ham, salad, potato chips, milk, and coke was readily devoured.

Sunbathing and swimming were the main activities, until a Turkey dinner with potatoes, peas, and a delicious pecan pie (ch. Rue) appeared.

Dr. and Mrs. Brodeur dropped in just before dinner (bringing the home-made pie) to see how the outing was coming along.

The rain rather restricted the evening's activities; but the group found enough to talk about to prevent their climbing into bed until nearly twelve.

On Sunday morning they slept late, and after breakfast, and another dip in the lake, they left for MacDuffie.

Many thanks go to Nancy and her parents for a wonderful time — enjoyed by all.

## MacDuffie Works During Summer

June tenth begins a vacation from school books, but starts a summer of work for many MacDuffie-ites. Working at resorts seems to be most popular with the girls. Among those doing that are Eden Fort, at Bucksteep Manor; Ann Lucke and Sandra Cone, at Hotel Terramaugus, East Hampton, Connecticut; and Polly Huggan, Carol Comstock, and Barbara Quigley, all at the Brook and Bridle Inn, Wolfeboro, New Hampshire. This will be Polly's third year at the Inn.

Several girls have jobs at camps, as counsellors. Included in these are: Cynthia Smith, Camp Winnemont, New Hampshire; Betty Ann Bibber, Camp Takodah, Keene, New Hampshire; Roseda Clark, Camp Ohwiwo, Maine; and Eleanor Morrison, Dr. Johnson's Camps, Crescent Lake, Maine.

Two girls are working in offices. They are Lois Dickerman, in the Central Library of the American Optical Company, Southbridge, Massachusetts; and Sue Edwards, Aetna

## Alumnae Give Lunch for Seniors

The annual Alumnae Luncheon, arranged by Mrs. Katherine Kibbe of the Class of '28, will be held on Monday, June ninth at one o'clock in the Hotel Sheraton, following a business meeting concerning the gift of the Association to the school. After the luncheon, Mr. Rutenber will speak briefly on some aspect of school life; and the class of 1947, sixteen seniors, will be welcomed into and introduced to the Association. The possibility of a money-making project in the fall will be discussed; and it will be announced at that time that there will be an "Alumnae News" issued in September — the third of such issues. Everyone will be urged to send in news of themselves to Miss Faith Rice, 33 School Street, Springfield, Mass.

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As yet Sue Judd is the only one who is working in a hospital. She is going to be a ward-aide in the Mercer Hospital, Trenton, New Jersey.

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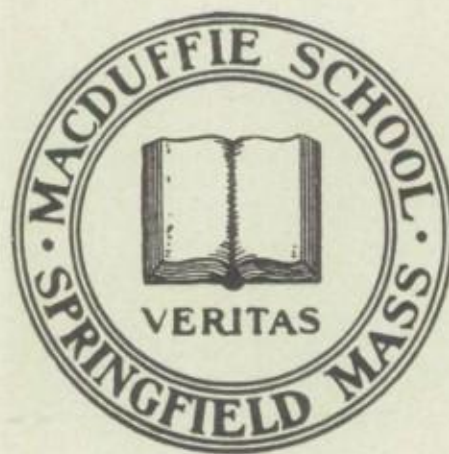






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With gratitude and admiration, we, the Senior Class of 1947,  
dedicate this yearbook to our Dean, Miss Catherine Blakeslee.







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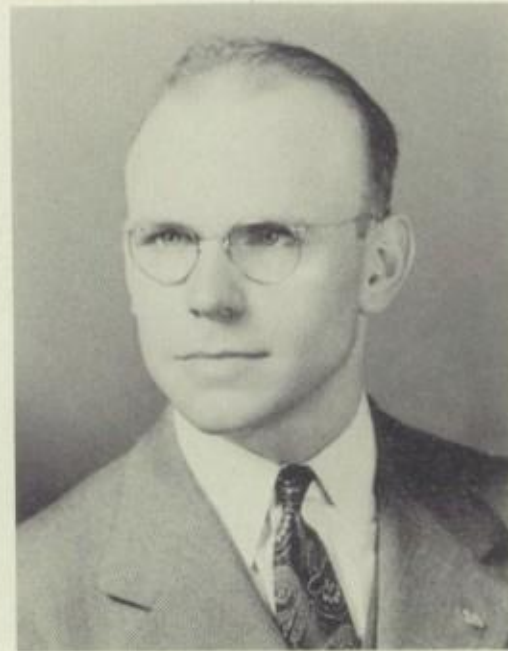
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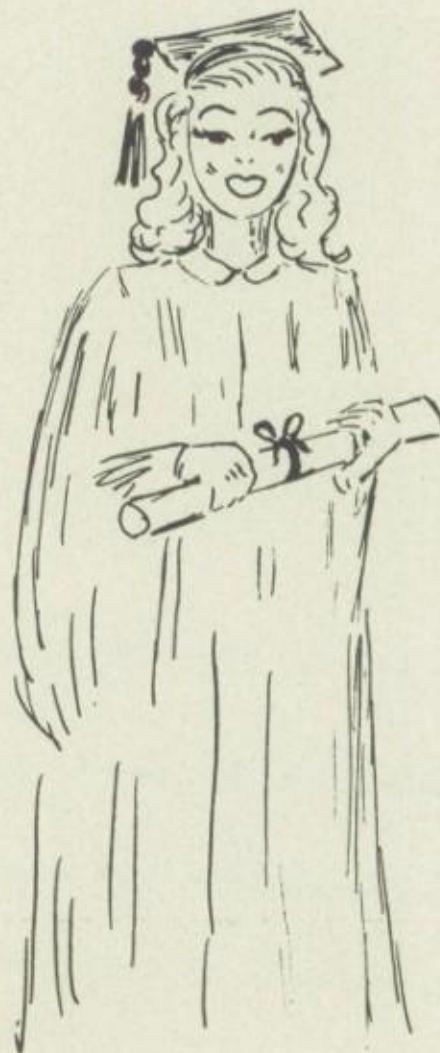
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# SENIORS



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## Seniors

*Dear Miss Couture,  
Thank you so much  
for all the patient help you  
have given me in explaining  
my x's and y's.  
Lots of love,  
Nancy*



NANCY SARGENT BRODEUR

Trinity College

Student Council 1; Alumnae Editor "Magnet" 3; Business Editor "Magnet" 4; Assistant Business Editor "Magnet" 3; "Magnet" 1; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Outing Club 3, 4; French Club 4 (President); Current Events Club 3; Photography Club 3, 4; Blue Team 1, 2, 3, 4; Leaders' Corps 3, 4; "Eager Heart" 1, 2, 3, 4 ("Eager Heart") 4; Dramatic Club 3, 4.

MARY ANN CARMAN

Penn Hall

"Magnolia," Typing Manager; Dramatic Club 4; Business Board "Magnet" 4; Outing Club 4; Red Team 4.

*Though I have not had  
the honor to have you for  
an instructor it has been  
wonderful knowing you  
Fond Regards*

*Mary*





# Seniors

I'll never  
forget the times we  
spent at Wilds End with  
you and miss little, and most  
of all, — geometry!  
Love, Saisy

SANDRA CONE  
Parson's School of Design  
Outing Club 3, 4.



To Miss. Cone -  
from one of the  
"lesser-mathematicians"

PATRICIA JOYCE DUNN  
Mills College

Secretary-Treasurer Class 3, 4; A. A. 3;  
Editor-in-Chief "Magnet" 4; Assistant  
Editor "Magnet" 3; Leaders' Corps 3,  
4 (President 4); Editor of "Magnolia";  
French Club 4; Current Events 3, 4; Blue  
Team 3, 4; Commencement Play 3, 4.

Love -  
Pat



## Seniors



*I have really gotten to know you well in my two years at MacDuffie, and I know that I shall miss you a lot - but I'll be back to see you all next year - and I hope many years after. Thanks for making my years here so pleasant -*

*Love,  
Shirley*

SHIRLEY JEAN EDWARDS

Wellesley College

Editor-in-Chief Literary Magazine 4; Literary Editor "Magnolia"; Red Team 3, 4; French Club 4; Current Events 3, 4; Outing Club 3, 4; Dramatic Club 3, 4.

*Dear Miss Cardus.  
These three years  
have certainly been  
fun owing to you, living across  
the way.  
Go on you  
geometry!*

MARGOT JENNINGS FISHER

Leslie College

Prefect; Captain Red Team 3, 4; Manager Red Team 2; Chairman Junior Prom 3; President A. A. 4; Leaders' Corps 4; Current Events 3, 4; Outing Club 2, 3, 4.

*Touch luck!  
Margot*





## Seniors

Dear Miss Couture -  
It's been wonderful  
for these two years at  
Mac Duffie - I even  
enjoyed your  
math class (you  
know how I  
like algebra)  
I'll certainly  
miss you  
next year -  
Love  
Ann

RUE DIANNE FORSLAND

Bradford College

Outing Club 2, 3, 4 (President 4); A. A.  
Council 3; Leaders' Corps 3, 4; Dra-  
matic Club 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 2; Red  
Team 2, 3, 4; "Eager Heart" 4; Current  
Events 2, 3; Commencement Play 4.



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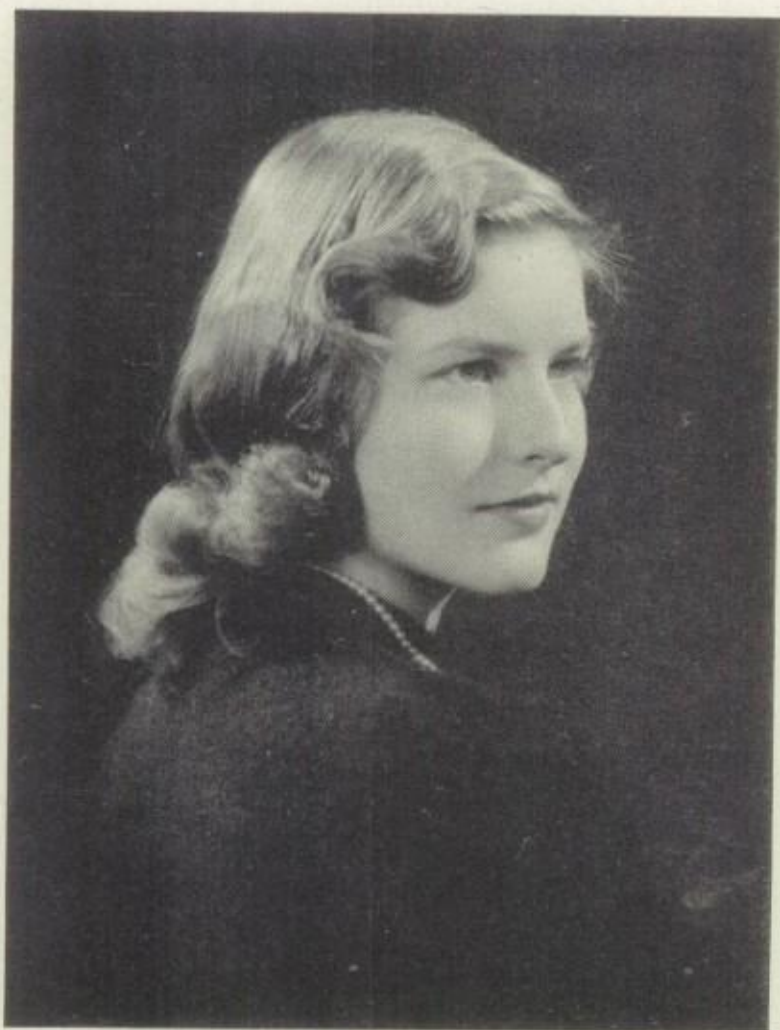
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Trinity College

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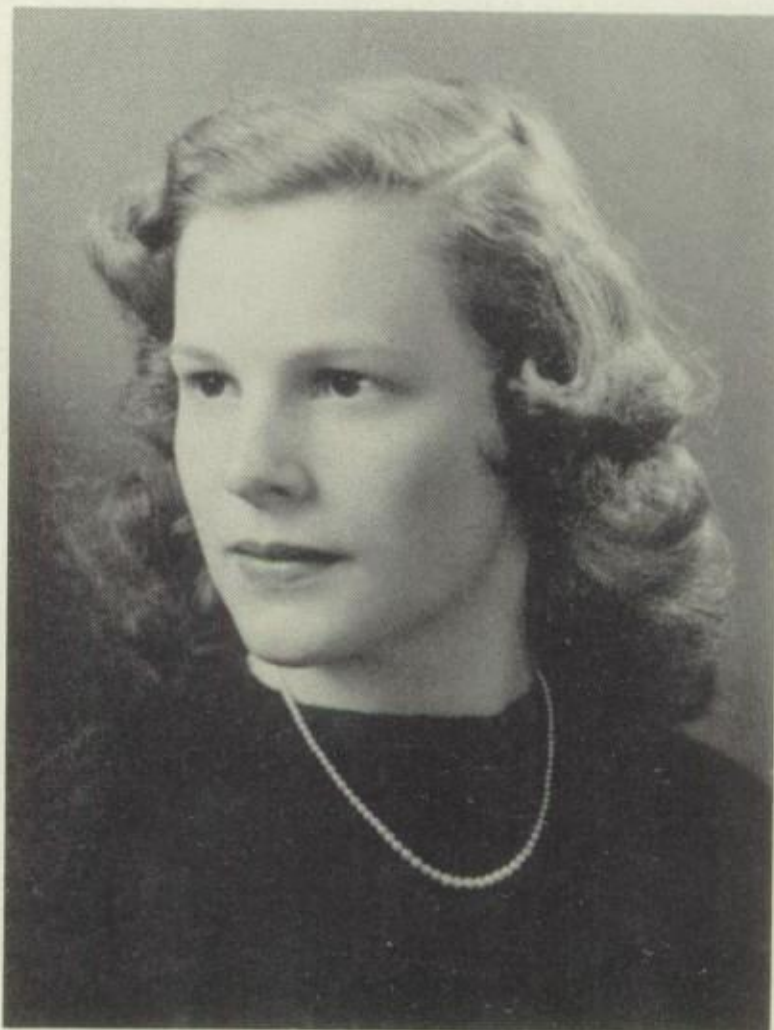
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JUDITH RICHINGS HILL

Mount Holyoke College

"Magnet" Art Editor 4; "Magnolia" Art Editor 4; Poetry Club 4 (President); Glee Club 3, 4 (President) 4; Dramatic Club 4; French Club 4; Outing Club 3, 4; Current Events 4; Leaders' Corps 4; "Eager Heart" 4; Blue Team 3, 4.



POLLY HUGGAN

Business

Senior Prefect; Class President 2, 3, 4; Editor-in-Chief "Magnolia"; Dramatic Club 1, 2, 3, 4 (President) 4; Outing Club 1, 2 (Vice-President) 3, (Secretary) 4; French Club (Chef de Programme) 4; Leaders Corps 2, 3, 4; Poetry Club 1, 3, 4; "Magnet" 3; Student Council 1, 2, 3, 4; "Eager Heart" 1, 2, 3, 4; Red Team 1, 2 (Captain) 3, 4; Commencement Play 1, 2, 3, 4.

POLLY HUGG  
Business

Senior Prefect; Class Pres.  
Editor-in-Chief "Magnolia"  
Club 1, 2, 3, 4 (President)  
Club 1, 2 (Vice-President)  
4 French Club (Chef de File)  
Leaders Corps 2, 3, 4; P  
3, 4; "Magnet" 3; Stude  
2, 3, 4; "Eager Heart" 1,  
Team 1, 2 (Captain) 3, 4  
ment Play 1, 2, 3, 4.

(a bad note)



# Seniors

MARY ELIZABETH IRWIN

Colby Junior College

President Debating Club 4; Business Board "Magnet" 3, 4; Student Council Representative 3; Current Events 1, 2, 3, 4; Outing Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Poetry Club 1, 2, 3, 4; French Club 4; Red Cross Representative 2, 3; Glee Club 1, 2, 3; Manager Blue Team 2; Blue Team 1, 2, 3, 4; Photography Club 4.



RUTH MARY MCCARTHY

Mercy Hospital School of Nursing  
Photography Club 4; Outing Club 4;  
Blue Team 4.



# Seniors



*Miss Couture - Though I missed  
having you for a teacher it  
has been nice knowing  
you. We have had fun to-  
gether at Wits-End and at  
the table. Best Wishes, "Put"*

ELIZABETH ANN PUTNAM

University of Connecticut

Current Events 3, 4 (President); Debating  
Club 4; Photography Club 4; Outing  
Club 2, 3, 4; Blue Team 2, 3, 4; Poetry  
Club 4.

JOAN EMILY PALMER

Lasell Junior College

Representative A. A. Council 4; Red  
Team 4 (Manager).





## Seniors

Dear Miss Couture -

It has been wonderful having you as a teacher, and knowing you as a friend - I have enjoyed your classes, and I have also enjoyed this year and just having you "around". I'll certainly come back and see you.

lots of love,

Betty

ELIZABETH THOMAS

Mount Holyoke College

Prefect; Alumnae Editor "Magnet" 4; "Magnet" 3; Blue Team 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Dramatic Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Current Events 2, 3; French Club 4; "Eager Heart" 1, 4; Poetry Club 4; Outing Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Leaders' Corps 4; Student Council 4.



Dear Miss Couture,

You've certainly been grand to me in my three years here. - It seemed so odd not to have any class with you this year, and I can honestly say that I've missed it very much. - Thank you a lot for being swell - I shall always remember you as a good sport and a good friend -

NANCY HOYT VAIL

Connecticut College

Prefect; Secretary - Treasurer Current Events 2, 3; Student Council 2, 3, (President) 4; Vice-President A. A. 3; Assistant Editor "Magnet" 3; "Magnet" 2; Leaders' Corps 2, 3, (Secretary-Treasurer) 4; Outing Club 2, 3, 4; Business Editor "Magnolia"; "Eager Heart" 2, 3; Captain Blue Team 2, 3, 4; French Club 4; Poetry Club 4; Dramatic Club 2, 3; Commencement Play 2, 3.

Lots of love,  
Nancy



## ***The Class History***

At last the long awaited day had come. We were high school students and had our own desks in study-hall. For most of us who had been here since grammar school days, this was quite a thrill. There were six of us who had attended MacDuffie before. They were: Barbara Rowe, Nonny Edgell, Betty Thomas, Julie-Ann Hovey, Diana Spoerl, and Nancy Brodeur. We were joined by three more girls—Polly Huggan from Brookline, Mass.; Nancy Dick from Longmeadow, Mass., and Mary Irwin from Springfield, Mass. Barbara Rowe was elected president, and Nancy Brodeur and Polly Huggan represented us on the Student Council. Our reporter for the "Magnet" was Nancy Brodeur.

In the fall of 1944, Nonny, Barbara, Julie, and Nancy Dick were no longer among our ranks, but we were joined by Elizabeth Putnam of Storrs, Conn.; Rue Forsland of New York City, Nan Vail of Brewster, N. Y.; Margot Fisher of Dedham, Mass., and Priscilla Loring of West Springfield, Mass. That year Polly Huggan was elected president, and Polly and Nan Vail represented us on the Student Council. Our Sophomore year found us in the midst of all activities. Many of us took trips with the newly organized Outing Club, took part in plays given by the Dramatic Club, and sang in the concerts given by the Glee Club. Nan Vail and Polly were chosen for the Leaders' Corps. We also had several budding journalists in our midst among whom were Betty Thomas and Nan Vail, who represented us on the "Magnet." We ended our Sophomore year with the realization that we were finally upperclassmen.

Pris Loring and Diana Spoerl did not return to MacDuffie in the fall of our Junior year, but we welcomed several newcomers among whom were Pat Dunn from San Francisco, Cal.; Sandra Cone from East Hampton, Conn.; Judy Hill from Brimfield, Mass.; Shirley Edwards from Hilton Village, Va.; Ann Hanifin from Belchertown, Mass., and Pat Patterson from Springfield, Mass. Polly was re-elected class president, and Mary Irwin, Nan Vail, and Polly Huggan represented us in the Student Council. Nan Vail and Pat Dunn were elected Assistant Editors of the "Magnet," Nancy Brodeur was Alumnae Editor and Assistant Business Manager, and Betty Thomas and Polly Huggan were reporters. Pat Dunn, Nancy Brodeur, and Rue Forsland were chosen for the Leaders' Corps that year. In planning our Prom, we decided to be original, and broke tradition by having our Prom at Christmas time in the ballroom of the Hotel Sheraton. This is one dance that none of us will ever forget.

Last fall we came back to school exalted Seniors. We were joined by Joan Palmer of West Springfield, Mass.; Ruth McCarthy of Westfield, Mass., and Mary Carman, of New Castle, Ind. Polly entered her third term as president. As Senior Prefect, Polly had under her charge three boarding Prefects and one Day-Hop Prefect, namely: Nan Vail, Shirley Edwards, Margot Fisher, and Betty Thomas. Nan was also elected president of the Student Council. Pat Dunn became Editor-in-Chief of the "Magnet," and Nancy Brodeur took over her duties as Business Manager. We have already had two class outings—one at Judy Hill's and one at "Put's."

As the days fly by and our time at MacDuffie becomes shorter, we find ourselves in the midst of preparations for our Prom, Senior week-end, and graduation. It is with deep regret that we will leave our Alma Mater, and it is our sincere hope that in future years we may live up to the high ideals which have been set for us by MacDuffie.

NANCY BRODEUR '47



# Class Will

We, the Senior class of 1947, renouncing all past wills and testaments, being of sound mind and judgment, do hereby pronounce this to be our last will and testament.

Polly leaves all the weight that she didn't lose to Diane Schwarz.

To anyone who wants an A in English IV, Nan leaves her ability to write expansive and expressive themes—kidding, of course!

Ann leaves her bangs to any other surfer that needs a fringe.

Pat wills her neat appearance in school to Barbara Jane to see what she can do with it.

Betty leaves her driving ability to Eden Fort.

Mary Irwin leaves her vocabulary to the intelligentsia, Pinky King and Ronnie Lee.

Rue leaves her quiet ways to Betsy Taber.

Judy leaves "Anastasia" to Gwen and Alice.

Margot leaves the dishes in the sink.

Put takes her Kleenex, and just blows!!

Joan Palmer leaves her laugh to Ann Lucke.

Shirley leaves her penetrating voice to Nancy Lawrence.

Sandy leaves Mr. Jones to Ann Lucke to honor, trust, cherish, and obey, until death do them part.

Nan Brodeur leaves French IV to anyone else who has a desire to explore the unknown.

We all leave, knowing we'll miss Senior English class.

Mary Carman leaves the record, "South America, Take It Away."

Margot and Betty leave Boyle's Law to next year's Chemistry students—they never could figure it out!

Rue leaves her height to Nancy Savaria.

Margot, Polly, and Nan leave a table at Jackson's.

Ruth McCarthy leaves a broom to Betty Ann Bibber—if she rooms with Nan Gould next year, she'll need it!

Pat leaves aspirin to the next Editor-in-Chief of the "Magnet."

Judy leaves—still knitting.

We all leave our thanks to Miss Briggs, for her invaluable help to us this year.

Nan leaves her argyles to Sue Edwards. Maybe she'll finish them—Nan can't.

Polly leaves, still bruised by Helen's "Charles Atlas" technique.

The "lordly nine" of Senior House leave the eternal quest for the bathtub.

Mary Irwin leaves, not knowing too much about American History. We wonder why?

We all leave the rest of the student body with this entreaty: keep MacDuffie the way it is—we rather like it that way.

Signed, sealed, and delivered in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and forty-seven.

NAN VAIL '47



# THEN



Mary Irwin



Margot,



Sandy



Ruth



Nancy



Betty



Ann



Joan



Judy



Nan



Pat



Mary Carman



Rue



Polly



Put



Shirley



# NOW



Mary Irwin



Margot



Sandy



Ruth



Nancy



Betty



Ann



Joan



Judy



Nan



Pat



Mary Carman



Rue



Polly



Put



Shirley



# The Prophecy

It was one of those unbearably hot nights in New York City. The pavements seemed actually to curl up with the heat. Restlessly I tossed on the bed and asked myself how I had ever been so foolish as to become a writer . . . a penniless one at that, who could not afford to get away from the city in the summer. Unfortunately it was too late for regrets now. Besides, my book was nearing completion, and in my more optimistic moments I felt I was possibly nearing an income exceeding my present rather scanty one; however, this was not one of those moments conducive to such happy thinking, and in the humid dark I only muttered curses at the heat, myself, and the bulky manuscript on my desk.

At length I decided that if I could occupy my mind long enough, I would eventually fall asleep, so being a sentimentalist at heart (though my profession has given me the superficial air of cynicism, which writers try to uphold)—I began to look back on the years, not so long past, when I was in school—and nights were cool. Thoughts passed rapidly over San Francisco, Honolulu, and caught their second breath in Springfield. It was then that I began to wonder what had befallen my schoolmates at MacDuffie. I pondered over this quite awhile, but as I had earlier surmised, delving into the profound mystery of thinking exhausted me, and I fell asleep.

Morning comes over New York like a gray angel with cool hands, but one who is chased away by the demon of steam and heat. I woke at that moment when the latter stood conqueror. Miserably I got up. The thought of breakfast nauseated my stomach and my purse. I had always strived for the gaunt artistic look, and I was rapidly achieving such desired effects. I washed and dressed, then wondered how I could get my mail without Mrs. Polaski asking me for the rent. I mulled over several schemes, but finally gave them up, and decided to brave the formidable figure that was my landlady.

As luck would have it Mrs. P. had gone out for herring. She wasn't to be seen cleaning in the front hall. With a sigh of relief I got to the mailbox and extracted from it a post card and letter which was green with white ink.

By the time I got upstairs to my room again, I had discovered that my short story had kindly been rejected by *Cosmopolitan Magazine*. (And to think of all the business Mr. Rutenber used to give them.) I did not feel too depressed, however, since it was my habit to receive little cards like this one quite often.

Gingerly I had handled the green envelope. After crossing all my fingers to ward off any bad spirits which might lie within the weird envelope, I opened the letter with some difficulty. Strange . . . the script was familiar. I noted the date on the top sheet was May 1. Odd . . . this was July 26. Then I knew! I glanced at the signature to confirm my thought. It was from Ann Hanifin, my old roommate at MacDuffie. Only she'd write a letter in the spring and not mail it until summer. Eagerly I read the note. It said that there was to be a reunion of the class of '47 in Atlantic City. Ann said she was writing this early, so I would be sure to plan ahead and come. Dear Ann. If I were going to make that reunion I had better catch a train soon. As I gathered my things together I only prayed that Ann hadn't written the letter last year!

With little difficulty I found Breaker Inn, the place appointed for the tryst, according to my invitation. I walked up to the desk of the resort and there, to my surprise, I found Nan Vail. She hadn't changed much. I noted with envy the outdoor look she had managed to keep. My own complexion had lost most of its youthful color and gained the kind that comes out of compacts. As Nan caught sight of me she hurdled the desk (a feat I would not have dared to try) and embraced me warmly. After the "hellos" and "how are yous," I asked her how she had remained so athletic. Laughingly she told me her secret lay in the fact that she married a resort owner. In the winter they owned a ski place in Sun Valley and in the summers they ran Breaker Inn. It was all the exercise entailed by the job that kept her so fit. I must have looked surprised when she mentioned her husband, so she quickly told me how she had gotten married her senior year in college. She added that she had wanted to send me an invitation but that she didn't know where to send it since she wasn't sure of my address at the time. At this point a young child came bouncing in. Nan explained that this was Holly Field (Field was Nan's new surname). The girl looked about ten and I raised a questioning brow. Nan quickly perceived and explained that she and her husband had found the little girl two years ago near their resort, abandoned, so they had adopted her. I was about to address the child when a toddling baby rolled in, and Nan informed me that this was Chester Field her son. I noted how firm, how smooth, how fully packed his little body was and decided that he was a good heir to the resort business. In the meantime Holly had brought out her pen and pad and was madly writing. Nan whispered to me that the child was trying to get my attention since she had read a few of my occasionally published short stories and was now aspiring to become an authoress. Nan added that she hoped I would give Holly an encouraging word or two. I touched my stomach lightly and almost declined, but went to the child anyway. After questioning Holly for awhile and telling her of some of my more successful experiences, I discovered that the little girl had begun writing her initial offering already. She even had it titled . . . "The Breeze and I."



When Nan had sent the children off to the beach to play, she began to ask of my doings during the past six years since graduation from MacDuffie. I was about to tell her when we heard the loud scream of an ambulance outside. We looked out and saw that printed on the door of the vehicle were the words "Hanifin and Brodeur Clinic." Ann and Nancy came in. Both of them looked very chic and not the least bit antiseptic. We noted that Ann had given up her bangs. She explained later that they got in the way when she operated. Nancy laughed when she told us how Ann had hated to part with her fringe. We well understood, since we remembered how Ann never used to get around to trimming it in school. All was not lost though, according to Nancy, since Ann had just cut bangs on her two-year-old daughter. It seems Ann had married one of the Pierce Brothers, the famous morticians in California. Her daughter, Odell, was fast acquiring attachment to her bangs too . . . Nancy told us. Then Ann gave us the news of her partner. It seemed Nancy had joined her to become a partner in the clinic after her stay in Europe, at which time she had married Count Ten-isky; however, it seems that Igor (as Ann called him) had taken ill and died in the Great Plague, and Nancy returned to America. Ann induced her to join her little establishment, which was rapidly putting Leahy out of business. Ann told us later, confidentially, that Nancy had gotten over Igor's death and was soon to announce her engagement to a promising doctor named Sturgeon at the clinic.

We settled ourselves in the lovely living room of the resort, while Nan played the part of the hostess. We were just nibbling on appetizers, when I noticed that an elegant limousine had pulled up in front of the resort. The sound of a familiar voice said, "Return for me at nine, Swanee." I knew, as did the rest, that it was no other than Polly Huggan.

Polly entered the room in the latest Carnegie mode. Such a hat . . . so chic, so stunning, that I wasn't quite sure where Polly was. I found her face beneath the feathers and tulle. After the flurry of greetings, Polly settled down and told us all that had befallen her in the past six years. She had, as she told us she would in school, started working from the bottom up in merchandising. At the very beginning of her career, Mr. Greenberg, owner of the store in which she was employed, asked her to do some modeling for him on the third floor, so right away Polly moved up from the basement, selling pots and pans, to wearing apparel. While she modeled, Polly proved to all about her that her forte was really buying, so Mr. Greenberg sent her to the basement again to buy for the pots and pans department. Polly, with her usual ambition, had worked herself right up again. However, she explained that her top position at Greenberg's didn't matter anymore as she was soon to wed one of the Cuban millionaires, who had gotten his money from his many sugar plantations. We gasped at the news, but concluded that we had always known that Polly had a lot to her.

We were all laughing over the old days when "we used to" . . . and "were such," when the phone rang. Nan answered. When she returned, she said that Western Union had called and that a wire from Mary Carman had come. Mary wired her regrets that she could not attend our gathering, because of her tour. Seems that Mary, now known as "Carman" to the public, after marrying a Mr. Jones, had become nationally known for her dancing role in Broadway's latest hit, "My Pal Boris." Now that the show was entering its third year, she was touring on her own in Mexico. Mary always did believe in "The Good Neighbor Policy." We were just discussing this, when we heard the chatter of many children. We turned to find Sandy Cone.

Sandy, after she had deposited her five children on the beach with Nan's two, told us all about her marrying a soap manufacturer, who had been inspired, upon seeing her, to write his greatest ad. We asked her if she had a snap of him, and quickly she opened her purse to bring out a picture. I was nearest my old friend, so I looked at the snapshot first. "Sandy," I said, after long scrutiny, "you must have given me the wrong picture. I don't see anything but a rail fence." Sandy laughed and laughed. "Pat," she said, "that's him . . . the third rail from the right. He's rather skinny," she said, "but he's soooo"—before Sandy had finished her sentence someone said hello.

There was Rue Forsland. Polly whispered to me that Rue was now known as Dusty Land on the stage. I noted that Rue, like Ann, had given up her bangs. When I questioned her about it, she told me that one day at rehearsals she had become so engrossed in her part as a lady barber, she had done the job of snipping on herself. She added that it was that play, "Cutaway," that had won her the critics acclaim. She was now on her way to Hollywood to test for the part in the Mammoth Pictures new movie, "Tuxedo Junction." We ohed over this, and were about to question her more, when two new figures entered . . . Judy Hill and Shirley Edwards.

Judy told us that she was now living in Peru, but that she was illustrating children's stories based on the South American fables. She had married a Senor from Lima who wrote the tales. She and her husband had come up to the states to see their publishers, Singlenight Lauren. She added that Singlenight was the husband of Joan Palmer. We asked where Joan was, and Judy supplied us with the answer. Seems one of the little Singlenights was down with scarlet fever and Joan just couldn't make it. "By the way," said Judy, "Ruth McCarthy, now a registered nurse, is helping Joan take care of the little scarlet feverite." Both Ruth and Joan had asked Judy to send their regrets.

Then Shirley took our attention. After two years of study abroad Shirley had begun painting in earnest, in Frankfort, Germany. She now had a collection which she was presenting for the critics to view this autumn. We all wished her luck. Seems Shirley had particular faith in one painting of a little boy being licked by a hound dog. The title of the work was "Southern Comfort." You could never forget that Shirley was from Virginia.

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# Who's Who

1. Done Most for Class	Polly
2. Best All Round Girl	Polly
3. Most Likely to Succeed	Pat
4. Prettiest	Nancy Brodeur
5. Best Athlete	Rue
6. Class Scholar	Judy, Nan, Shirley
7. Most Sophisticated	Pat
8. Sweetest	Put
9. Most Efficient	Nan
10. Most Popular	Polly
11. Best Natured	Polly
12. Best Dressed	Nancy Brodeur
13. Most Patient	Shirley
14. Best Figure	Mary Irwin
15. Noisiest	Rue
16. Quietest	Put, Ruth McCarthy
17. Most Bashful	Margot, Put
18. Best Speaking Voice	Polly
19. Class Wit	Pat
20. Best Mixer	Polly
21. Laziest	Judy
22. Best Sport	Shirley, Polly
23. Class Flirt	Sandy
24. Peppiest	Margot
25. Class Bluff	Mary Irwin
26. Neatest	Betty Thomas
27. One Who Has Most Troubles	Rue
28. Cutest	Margot
29. Prettiest Hair	Pat
30. Best Legs	Ann
31. Prettiest Eyes	Ann, Ruth
32. Pepsodent Smile	Joan
33. Artist	Judy, Sandy
34. Actress	Polly
35. Dancer	Rue, Mary Carman



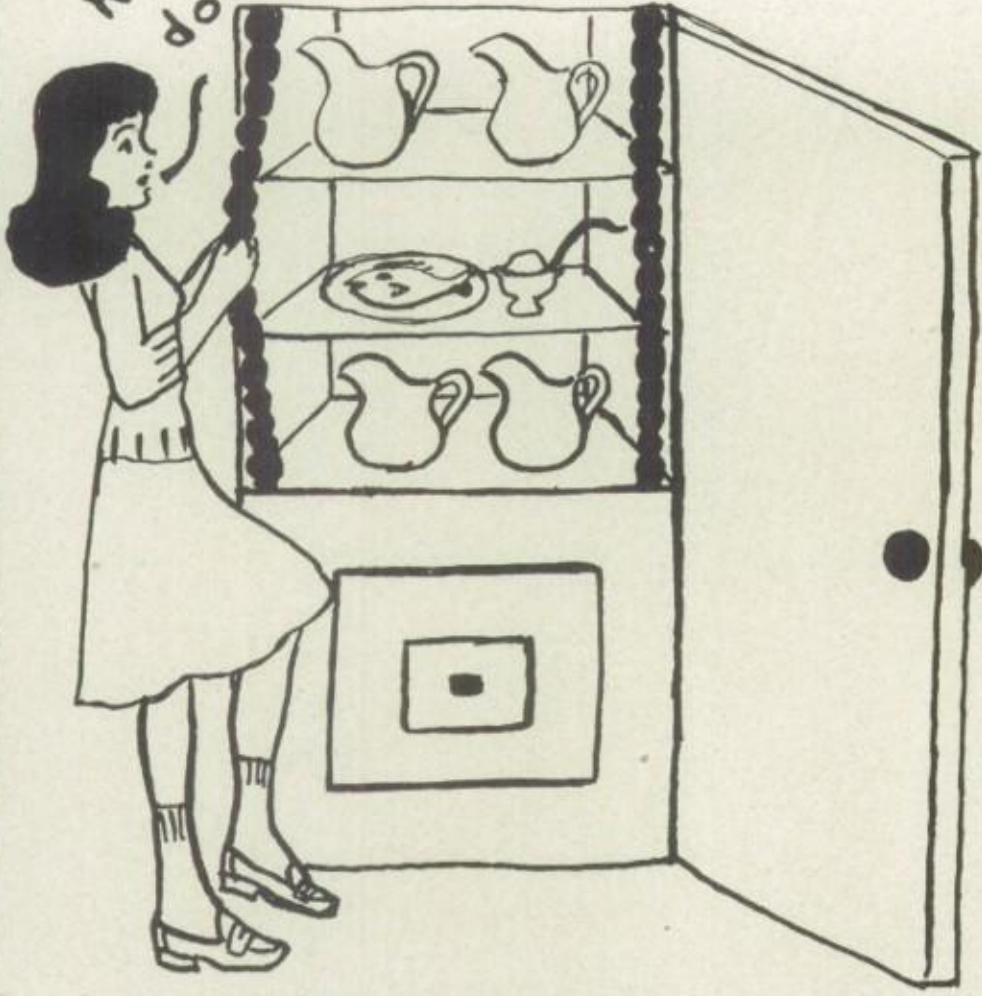
## WE'LL NEVER FORGET . . . . .

our Junior Prom at the Sheraton  
the Sunday at the Hill's  
the Monday after!  
Jackson's  
sunbathing on the campus  
peeling noses  
the dinner at the Putnams  
the bath tub in Senior House  
Vagabond Day  
Christmas and the Glee Club's candle light procession  
M. P. B.  
Friday nights at Wilbraham  
all those source themes  
getting the yearbook out  
college boards and the butterflies in the stomach  
mail . . . any kind  
handing in so many themes  
the marks we got on them  
hydrogen sulfide in the lab  
rushing to get here at eight thirty  
giving Christmas gifts in Senior House  
Sandy's interior decorating  
overnight hostels  
Heart Sister Week  
whispering after lights  
the campusing for it  
waxed floors  
American History  
pancakes on Sunday  
doughnuts on Friday  
welllllll!  
putting our hair up in the dark  
the whisps the next day  
Eager Heart  
our Senior Prom  
Finals  
Commencement  
MacDuffie

MARY IRWIN '47



Kids on  
dooty!



DUMBWRITER



BEFORE  
HISTORY  
CLASS



SKATING ON THE COURT



MAIL!



# CLASSES



JRHill '47



# The Junior Class



Back Row, left to right—Brosseau, Hogan, Hulse, Hurd, Gillett, Edwards, Morrison, Marshall, Smith, Fort, Glaskowski  
Second Row—Saunders, Goetze, Lucke, Stevens, Judd, Gould, Bibber, Bourquin  
Front Row—M. Schwarz, Crawford, Clark, Porter, Hanna, Davidson, Quigley

We, the Junior Class of '47, proudly claim to be the largest class that MacDuffie has ever had. The thirteen old students were joined in September by girls from several states. Those from Massachusetts are: Rita Brosseau and Roseda Clark of Springfield, Nancy Hulse of West Springfield, Joan Hogan from Holyoke, Cynthia Porter of Worcester, Jean MacDonald from Wilbraham, and Lois Dickerman of Southbridge. From Connecticut we have: Nancy Gould of Windsor, Ann Lucke of Wilton, and Joan Hanna from South Norwalk. The other new girls are: Margaret Schwarz of Easton, Pennsylvania; Betty Ann Bibber from Schenectady, New York; Mildred Davidson from Bedford, Virginia, and Sue Judd of Cranbury, New Jersey. We were sorry to have Barbara Moore leave shortly after the first term. However, we welcomed Tanya Glaskowsky of Westfield in January.

Our big event of the year was the Junior-Prom, held on December seventh in the gym, with music by Keith Ball's orchestra. About seventy couples attended the Prom and enjoyed it immensely. Much credit for its success goes to Sue Edwards, the chairman.

The results of the class elections this year were as follows: Sue Judd, president; Gwen Saunders, vice-president; Barbara Jane Quigley, secretary-treasurer; Gwen Saunders and Dorothy Stevens, Student Council representatives.

The Junior Class is very active in outside activities. We are represented in almost every organization with Juniors holding offices in many.

Last, but surely not least, we wish the Seniors the very best of luck and a great deal of happiness as they leave MacDuffie for the wide world.

SUE JUDD '48



# The Sophomore Class



Back Row—Davis, Taber, King, Kilty, Getz, Lawrence, Brooks, Bulkley.  
Second Row—Seymour, Alexander, Lee, Comstock, Sherman, Smith.  
Bottom Row—Catheron, Ker, Knight, St. Germaine, Mead, Hoglund.

A varied group, we, the class of '49, but variety is the spice of life!

Janet Bulkley, Nancy Lawrence of Springfield, Janet Kilty of Agawam, Margaret Getz, Longmeadow, Mass.; Louise Knight, Winchester, Mass.; Connie Sherman, Needham, Mass., and Saralan Smith, Trenton, New Jersey, joined Helen Alexander, Grace Brooks, Nancy Catheron, Carol Comstock, Beverly Davis, Mary Hoglund, Nancy Ker, Pinky King, Jennifer Mead, Mildred St. Germain, Pat Seymour, Betsy Taber, and Ronnie Lee in September, making us twenty strong. Ronnie Lee was elected president; Carol Comstock, vice-president; Helen Alexander, secretary-treasurer. The Sophomores were represented on the Student Council by Helen Alexander and Beverly Davis. The members were well represented in school activities.

To all we say, "It's been a wonderful year," and to the Seniors "Godspeed."

RONNIE LEE '49



# The Freshman Class



Standing, left to right—Penno, Truchet, Lynch, Schwarz, White, Dinwoodie, McGarigle, Lettis, Lundquist, Haynes, D. Schwarz.  
Front Row—Parker, McLaury, Helwick, Nelson, Huntington, Peters.

This year the Freshman Class was very active. We started out the year by electing our class officers as follows: Joy Nelson, president; Joan Lettis, vice-president, and Joan McGarigle, secretary-treasurer. Our Student Council representatives are Joan Lettis and Joan McGarigle; and our A. A. representative is Isabel Schwarz.

Due to the kindness and generosity of Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Penno, to whom we owe many thanks, our year has been a very pleasant one. A hayride, on which we not only saw the countryside, but also a "Weenie" roast afterwards, was given by the Pennos. Another unexpected surprise was the gift of a beautiful combination radio and victrola which now rests in Howard Hall.

With Marcia Haynes, Joan Lettis, Shelia Lynch, Patricia Penno, Judith Truchet, and Edith White as day students; and Carla Dinwoodie, Barbara Lundquist, Joan McGarigle, Dorothy McLaury, Jean Parker, Jeanette Peters, Joy Nelson, Diane and Isabel Schwarz, we are a happy group of Freshman.

We want to wish the very best of luck to the Seniors.

JOY NELSON '50



# The Junior School



Standing, left to right—Ellis, Bemis, Chisholm, Ritchie, Bennett, Good.  
Seated—Arnold, Redden, Hanbury, Lettis, Savaria, Lyman. Porkorny (not shown).

The Junior School is proud to announce that it has five new students. They are: Nancy Good, who is in the seventh grade, Nan Chisholm, Jane Ritchie, Jane Ellis and Nancy Savaria who are all members of the eighth grade.

The seventh grade has six students—Faye Arnold, Nancy Good, Janice Hanbury, Jeanne Lettis, Susan Porkorny, and Sally Redden. The eighth grade has seven pupils—Mollie O'Bennett, Susan Bemis, Nan Chisholm, Jane Ellis, Betty Ann Lyman, Jane Ritchie and Nancy Savaria.

The Junior School once again has a representative on the Student Council—Jane Ritchie. Nancy Good is the secretary of the Girl Scouts and Sally Ann Redden is the patrol leader. In addition, we have two girls in the Dramatic Club, Nancy Savaria and Jane Ellis. Jane is also in the Glee Club. Nan Chisholm is our A. A. representative.

The Scout Troop is still active under the leadership of Miss Little and Miss Couture.

We all join together to wish the Senior Class the best of luck and success in the years to come.

SALLY REDDEN '52



## NEVER LET IT BE SAID THAT . . . .

1. The phone in Howard Hall was never busy.
2. Pat Dunn doesn't have some Irish way back somewhere.
3. Senior English doesn't begin on time-sometime.
4. The Chem lab smells like lilacs.
5. The Freshman Class doesn't appreciate the Episcopal Choir boys.
6. Sue Edwards and Nancy Gould don't appreciate Loomis.
7. Betty doesn't have nightmares driving a "chevy."
8. Molly O Bennett doesn't bring a lunch-Pinky.
9. There is no Saturday Night Dance-Joan.
10. Mr. Myers conducts a dull History Class.
11. There is no Jane Alden's-Eden!
12. Brodeur drives a "Horse and Buggy."
13. Pat Dunn and Ann Lucke know any piece other than "Body and Soul."
14. Carol Comstock feels completely dressed without her raincoat.
15. Helen Alexander's athletic ability is of "no matter."
16. Ann Hanifin cut her bangs.
17. Sandy Cone likes "Gay blades."
18. We counted the days 'til vacation-Nan.
19. Miss Briggs doesn't enjoy her salads.
20. Senior House tub is ever out of use.
21. The "Magnet" didn't eventually come out.
22. Bucksteepers don't appreciate Bucksteep-Bucksteepers?
23. Polly, Nan, and Margot are ever late for English Class.
24. Miss Kennedy has trouble with 2nd period study hall.
25. Joan Goetze and Shirley Edwards are ever without mail.
26. The Seniors don't try to diet.
27. Nancy Savaria doesn't like to empty wastebaskets.
28. Judy Hill doesn't appreciate the Navy.
29. Mary Irwin is late-in leaving!
30. Nan Vail doesn't like to collect Leaders' Corps money.
31. The Glee Club is ever completely present.
32. Connie and Saralan were ever separated.
33. Ruth McCarthy's room is ever without flowers.
34. Joan Lettis is ever sure of "which one to go with."
35. Jennifer Mead and Mildred St. Germain lead quiet study hall lives.
36. Nan Chisholm doesn't like Margot.
37. Pat Crawford and Mary Carman don't know their Spanish.
38. Professor Stephens doesn't pass out chewing gum for a purpose.
39. Carol Comstock and Alice Marshall are immune to horses.
40. The Juniors don't know their word list.
41. Sandy Cone doesn't enjoy MacDuffie Proms.
42. Shirley Edwards had trouble with the closet.
43. Pat Dunn won't make the Ballet Russe . . . eventually.
44. Miss Couture doesn't know her X<sup>2</sup>'s and Y<sup>2</sup>'s.
45. Gertrude Gillett doesn't make a hit with "Hong Kong Blues."
46. Wendy hasn't charm with knitting needles.
47. Pris has no weekends . . . Betty.
48. Diane Schwarz lacks art talent.
49. Judy and Sandy don't like to doodle.
50. Betty and Margot won't make second Madame Curies . . . some day.
51. Joan Palmer doesn't find her desk the "ideal resting place."
52. Miss Briggs wastes a minute.
53. The Juniors don't appreciate Wilbraham dancing classes.
54. Jean MacDonald doesn't enjoy her paint box.
55. There was no joy in sailing . . . Judy.
56. We aren't all Mr Rutenber's "white-haired girls."





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# ACTIVITIES





## Student Council



Standing, left to right—Fisher, Huggan, Edwards, Lettis, McGarigle, Alexander.  
Seated—Ritchie, Thomas, Vail, Stevens, Davis.

Representing the student body this year were: Nan Vail, president; Polly Huggan, and Betty Thomas, from the Senior Class; from the Junior Class, Dorothy Stevens and Gwen Saunders; from the Sophomore Class, Beverly Davis and Helen Alexander; from the Freshman Class, Joan Lettis and Joan McGarigle; and from the Junior School, Jane Ritchie. As prefects, Shirley Edwards and Margot Fisher received honorary membership. The representation on the Student Council was changed this year, each class voting for one day student and one boarder. This was done in order to regulate the ratio of day students and boarders on the council, so that the entire school would be equally represented.

In the fall, Betty Thomas, Polly Huggan, and Nan Vail attended a student council conference at the Oxford School for Girls in Hartford, Conn. Student Council representatives were present from all of the private girls' schools in the Connecticut Valley region. Interesting discussions were held concerning the relationship of the Student Council to the various phases of school life. In comparing our student council with others, we found that we were given the greatest power in governing our school—a power, which we have tried to use wisely and beneficially for the good of the school.

NAN VAIL '47



# MACDUFFIE MAGNET



Each year the MacDuffie "Magnet" grows. This year another sheet was added, making six pages altogether. A cartoon and a feature article called Club Minutes are two other additions. Under the direction of Miss Little, the "Magnet" staff published six issues.

The "Magnet" editor-in-chief is Patricia Dunn, a fluent writer, who plans to make journalism her career. Others on the staff are: Assistant editors, Betty Ann Bibber and Carol Hurd; alumnae editor, Betty Thomas; feature editor, Nancy Gould; activity editor, Sue Judd; art editor, Judy Hill; business manager, Nancy Brodeur; assistant business manager, Cynthia Smith. Reporters are: Grace Brooks, Nancy Catheron, Mildred Davidson, Beverly Davis, Margaret Getz, Patricia Helwick, Nancy Lawrence, Gwen Saunders, and Margaret Schwarz. The art staff is composed of: Mary Hoglund, Gertrude Gillett, and Alice Marshall. Members of the Business Board are: Eve-Marie Bourquin, Mary Carman, Ann Hanifin, Nancy Hulse, Mary Irwin, Mary King, Ronnie Lee, Barbara Quigley, and Eden Fort.

BETTY ANN BIBBER '48



## Current Events Club



Standing, left to right—Bibber, Edwards, Judd, Gould, Helwick, Hurd, Alexander, Irwin, McGarigle, Bourquin.  
Seated—Hill, Edwards, Putnam, Ker, Comstock, Hanifin.

This year the Current Events Club got a good start under the able leadership of Patricia Dunn. However, in December, when Pat resigned because of a too heavy schedule, the presidency was handed over to Elizabeth Putnam, who has carried on with the invaluable assistance of Miss Faith Rice, our faculty advisor.

Through the club, our members have gained a better understanding of the more important events and ideas that dominate our world today. Our round table discussions have given us valuable experience in expressing our views, as well as sharing factual material based on personal experience of research.

The members of the club belong to the Foreign Policy Association, which offers the opportunity of hearing well-known speakers discourse on current affairs.

By means of a new Current Events Bulletin Board, the club has tried to keep the students posted on prevailing developments in world affairs.

ELIZABETH PUTNAM '47



## **The Outing Club**

The Outing Club this year has functioned under the direction of Rue Forsland, and a most helpful advisor, Miss Vivian Little. It is composed of every member of the student body, although some of the activities are limited to girls of the upper grades.

Last fall, a new tradition was established, that of Vagabond day. This was a surprise day in the country; and if as much fun is had in the future as was had this year, I'm certain that it will be a lasting tradition.

Due to the weather this past winter, the Outing Club was not able to do all that it would have liked. However, they made up the lost time this spring with day and over-night bicycle trips, mountain climbs, and hikes in the country. We hope that next year's Outing Club members will have as much fun as we have had.

RUE FORSLAND '47

## **Debating Club**

This year, for the first time, a Debating Club was formed. This club has been under the leadership of its president, Mary Irwin; and has had the invaluable aid of its faculty advisor, Miss Couture.

The original forum is composed of nine members, although other students have attended the debates. The object of the club is not only to learn new facts and ideas, but to acquire the art of expressing one's thoughts upon a subject based on research. Each girl takes the sides she is least interested in, so she will understand both sides clearly.

Members of the club are: Pat Helwick, Carol Comstock, Helen Alexander, Ronnie Lee, Betty Ann Bibber, Ann Hanifin, Elizabeth Putnam, and Mary Irwin. All classes are represented in this group.

MARY IRWIN



# Glee Club



Standing, left to right—Alexander, Ellis, Brodeur, Fort, Thomas, Marshall, Quigley, McGarigle.  
Front Row—Seymour, Clark, Bibber, Hill, Helwick, Hanna, Smith, Huntington.

The Glee Club this year has done an excellent job on all it has undertaken. Although only consisting of eighteen members, those girls, under the leadership of Judy Hill, president; Gwen Saunders, librarian, and Jane Ellis as assistant librarian, have done a remarkable piece of work and the club really accomplished a good deal.

In addition to the traditional carol singing after Eager Heart, the club sang at the Westover Field Hospital before Christmas. Besides the two commencement songs, a number of other songs were studied in preparation for a spring concert.

Mrs. Paul Samson was again our director, and to her we owe all that we accomplished. The girls from last year are: Helen Alexander, Nancy Brodeur, Judy Hill, Joan McGarigle, Barbara Jane Quigley, Gwen Saunders, Pat Seymour, and Betty Thomas. Those who are new this year are: Betty Ann Bibber, Roseda Clark, Jane Ellis, Eden Fort, Joan Hanna, Pat Helwick, Lynne Huntington, Barbara Lundquist, Alice Marshall, and Saralan Smith.

The Glee Club is one of the most important school clubs, and we hope that it will do as well in the future as it has in the past.

JUDY HILL '47



# Girl Scouts



Seated, left to right—Redden, Arnold, Bennett, Lettis, Ritchie, Hanbury.  
Standing—Chisholm, Good.

Under the helpful guidance of our troop leaders, Miss Vivian Little and Miss Jane Couture, we have spent a very interesting year.

During the fall we had many long walks in the woods, learning things for our Tree Finder Badge. We made a collection of leaves and learned the name of each kind. Later, we carved animals out of wood.

Working for our Photography Badge has been the most interesting of all. We learned developing, printing, and enlarging of pictures. Pictures were brought in for criticism, and we learned much from the experience of others.

During the week of March 10th, we collected money for the Juliette Lowe Fund. The Juliette Lowe Fund is created by the contributions from the different Scout organizations all over the United States. Its purpose is to create a better understanding of scouting all over the world.

We plan to end the year with the giving of awards at a tea for families and friends.

JANE RITCHIE '51



## **Photography Club**

This year, because of the large enrollment, the Photography Club was limited to Juniors and Seniors. The members were Betty Ann Bibber, president; Ann Hanifin, treasurer; Wendy Bourquin, Nancy Brodeur, Lois Dickerman, Joan Goetze, Mary Irwin, Sue Judd, Anne Lucke, Ruth McCarthy, Eleanor Morrison, Cynthia Porter, Elizabeth Putnam, Barbara Quigley, Gwen Saunders, Cynthia Smith, and Betty Thomas.

Under the able leadership of Miss Little, our faculty advisor, Shutterbug members discussed, at the meetings which were held once a month, the technical points of cameras and picture-taking; camera faults, the composition of a good photograph; and learned to take indoor portraits and pictures of still life.

In February, the Shutterbugs sponsored a Photography Contest, open to the entire school. The winner was Nan Chisholm.

Each year the interest of the school in photography grows greater. Photography is a grand hobby, and valuable for lasting memories.

BETTY ANN BIBBER '48

## **Poetry Club**

The Poetry Club was revived this year and has become one of the nicest extra-curricular activities. Judy Hill was elected president, and the other members took turns being chairman of the meetings. Miss Little was our advisor.

At the meetings held the first Sunday of each month, various poets and types of poetry were discussed, with each member bringing at least one poem to share with the rest. One of the most memorable meetings was held at Nancy Lawrence's house, where Mrs. Lawrence gave us a wonderful afternoon.

Once revived, we all hope the club will continue to raise MacDuffie's interest in poetry.

JUDY HILL '47



## Music Club



The Music Club was started this year with a great deal of help from our advisor, Miss Snyder. Our president is Carol Comstock and secretary, Betty Ann Bibber. Our group consists of sixteen members: Gwen Saunders, Alice Marshall, Roseda Clark, Wendy Bourquin, Betsy Taber, Jeanette Peters, Barbara Lundquist, Pat Helwick, Midge Schwarz, Joan McGarigle, Jane Ellis, and Pat Seymour.

The club was founded to help us become better acquainted with the lives of the composers, both classical and modern. In order to attain this goal, we have had monthly meetings in which we have discussed their lives and played their works. We have also performed for the school. In the future, we hope to continue our study and see a few concerts. We have had a lot of fun preparing these discussions, and know we shall have profited greatly by them later.

CAROL COMSTOCK '49



# French Club



Standing, left to right—Hill, Edwards, Hurd, Fort, Gould, Brosseau, Quigley, Hanifin.  
Seated, left to right—Davidson, Irwin, Vail, Brodeur, Bourquin, Thomas, Dunn, Huggan.

This is the first year that we have had a French Club. It certainly has been helpful to the French students, because under Miss Yeranian's leadership, we are given a chance to speak, play, and read in French.

At the club's first meeting, Nancy Brodeur was elected president, Eve Marie Bourquin was chosen as secretary-treasurer, and Polly Huggan was elected chairman of the Program Committee. The club is open to members of second, third, and fourth year French classes.

At every meeting, there is some main activity planned, such as a play, or a spelling bee, and we usually learn a few French songs. We have already had two parties, one at Christmas time and one at our Valentine meeting. Plans for a picnic for our final meeting are being formulated now.

We all hope that next year's French Club will have as much fun as we've had, and that their efforts to master the French language will be successful.

NANCY BRODEUR '47



# The Leaders Corps



Back Row, left to right—Thomas, Brodeur, Gould, Judd, Marshall.  
Front Row—Hill, Fisher, Vail, Dunn, Forsland, Huggan.

The Leaders' Corps, now in its third year of existence, is a group of twelve girls, chosen by the faculty and student body to plan and manage the school parties. This year the corps consists of Nancy Brodeur, Patricia Dunn, Gwen Saunders, Nancy Vail, Rue Forsland, and Polly Huggan, old members; and Betty Thomas, Margot Fisher, Nancy Gould, Judith Hill, Suzanne Judd and Alice Marshall, who were admitted in the fall at a party during which they tried out for the corps.

With Pat Dunn as president, Nan Vail, secretary-treasurer, and Miss Little as faculty advisor the Leaders' Corps has planned many excellent parties this year, including the Halloween, Christmas, and Heart Sister parties. The Leaders' Corps is enjoyed by all, and offers its members experience in recreational leadership.

BETTY THOMAS '47



# The Dramatic Club



Back Row, left to right—Davis, Davidson, Hanna, Ellis, Edwards, Judd, Thomas, Gould, Brodeur, McGarigle, Schwarz, Edwards, Bibber, Hanifin, Taber.

Second Row—Nelson, Carman, Lucke, Stevens, Huggan, Huntington, Catheron, Seymour, Hill.

Front Row—Bemis, Getz, Brooks, Mead, Truchet, Helwick, Alexander, Smith, Gillett, Savaria. Forsland (not pictured).

As president for this year, the Dramatic Club elected Polly Huggan, who has made it one of the most successfully functioning organizations of the school. During the fall term, the members elected Barbara Moore secretary and Dorothy Stevens treasurer to help Polly with her duties. A greatly sought-after opportunity was the try-out, held to select those eligible for the club. Thus, we grew to a grand total of thirty-seven members.

With the coaching of Miss Little, our club advisor, and Miss Rice, we made "Eager Heart," our traditional Christmas play, an outstanding event in the season's activities.

During February, we had the annual Variety Show, in which a great deal of new talent, as well as old, was displayed. April brought us five delightful one-act plays, written by members of the Junior Class.

The most important event of the year for the club was the Commencement Play, given by an excellent cast, ending a year, of which we can all be proud.

DOROTHY STEVENS '48



# "Eager Heart"



On Thursday evening, December 20, 1946, the Dramatic Club members gave the traditional Christmas play "Eager Heart," under the capable direction of Miss Vivian Little and Miss Faith Rice.

Nancy Brodeur won the heart of the entire audience with her portrayal of "Eager Heart," and with the help of a strong supporting cast, the play was considered a great success.

After "Eager Heart," the Glee Club, after a candlelight procession, gave a program of Christmas Carols, some of which were sung by the audience as well. Mrs. Ruth Burt Samson is the able director of the club. The spirit of Christmas was prevalent throughout the evening.

## CAST

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Eager Sense . . . . .	Kitty Catheron
Eager Fame . . . . .	Polly Huggan
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Mary . . . . .	Judy Hill
First King . . . . .	Pat Helwick
Second King . . . . .	Nancy Gould
Third King . . . . .	Rue Forsland
Old Man . . . . .	Joan Hanna
Young Man . . . . .	Mildred Davidson
First Shepherd . . . . .	Betsy Taber
Second Shepherd . . . . .	Helen Alexander
Prologue and Epilogue . . . . .	Lynne Huntington
Angels . . . . .	Arnold, Porkorny, Lyman
Angel Choir . . . . .	Bourquin, Saunders, Quigley, Clark

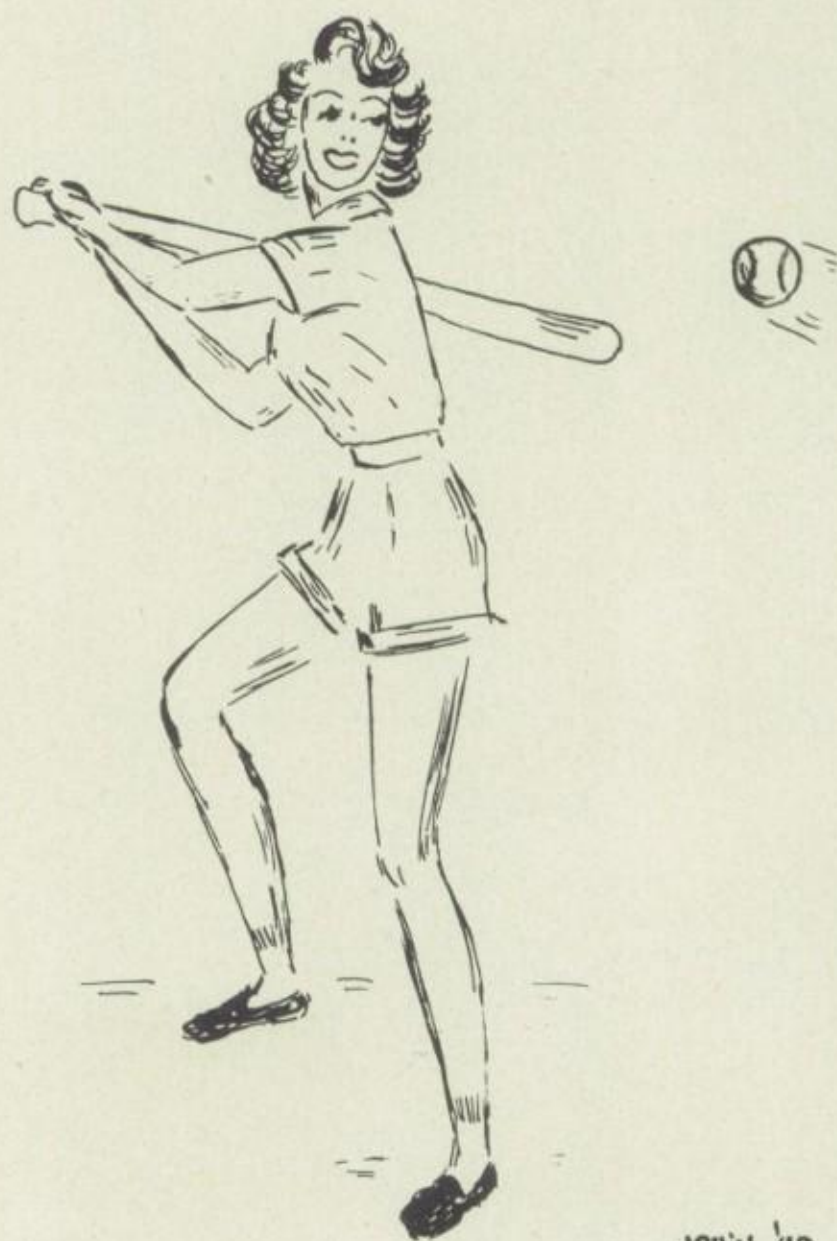
RUE FORSLAND '47







# SPORTS



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# The Blue Team



Last Row, left to right—Davis, Brosseau, Dunn, Parker, Penno, Getz, Brodeur, Thomas, Judd, Gould, Dinwoodie, McCarthy, Taber.

Second Row—Truchet, Hoglund, Mead, St. Germain, Smith, Bibber, Putnam, Schwarz, Hill.

Front Row—Kilty, King, Irwin, Smith, Alexander, Vail, Hanna, Helwick, Edwards, Gillett, McGarigle.

For the Freshman and Sophomore Blue Team, Helen Alexander was chosen as captain, with Diane Schwarz as manager. Nan Vail was captain of the Juniors and Seniors, and Betty Ann Bibber was manager.

Although the Blues are behind in the Wednesday team games, our spirit runs high, and we do our best to give the Reds some real competition for the cup.

NAN VAIL '47



## The Red Team



Back Row, left to right—Saunders, Carman, Davidson, M. Schwarz, Porter, White, Glaskowsky, Fort, Hulse, Hogan, Peters, S. Edwards, Lettis, Clark, Bourquin.

Second Row—Lynch, Nelson, Getz, McLaury, Lundquist, Ker, Sherman, Catheron, Huntington, Lee.

Front Row—Quigley, Comstock, I. Schwarz, Lucke, Huggan, Fisher, Knight, Marshall, Morrison, Seymour, Palmer. Forsland (not pictured).

The Freshman and Sophomore team is headed by Carol Comstock this year, with Isabel Schwarz as manager. The Junior and Senior group is headed by Margot Fisher with Joan Palmer as manager.

Up to now the Red Team has lost only two games . . . one of volley ball and the other in basketball. We hope not to lose any more. With this in mind we look forward to another victorious year.

MARGOT FISHER '47



# Athletic Association



Standing, left to right—Alexander, Schwarz, Hanna, Comstock.  
Seated, left to right—Chisholm, Palmer, Fisher, Marshall.

The officers chosen for the 1946-47 A. A. are as follows: Margot Fisher, president; Alice Marshall, vice-president; and Helen Alexander, secretary-treasurer. These officers are assisted by a council made up of a representative from each class including: Joan Palmer, Joan Hanna, Carol Comstock, Isabelle Schwarz and Nan Chisholm. This council tries to maintain an orderly appearance in gym classes as well as keeping stray articles found in the gym in a pound.

The A. A.'s first project was a Swimming Meet, followed by a supper and badminton tournament. Through these we discovered Ann Lucke to be our number one swimmer and Helen Alexander our badminton champion. In February, the Ping Pong tournament and party was held. Barbara Quigley was the winner of the tournament.

The A. A. is now looking forward to the Student-Faculty baseball game to be held in the spring, as well as to the A. A. picnic, the high spot of the athletic year which is held just before graduation.

We are grateful to Miss Collins who helps all of us in our athletics and to Miss Vivian Little for her help in planning our program and parties.

MARGOT FISHER '47







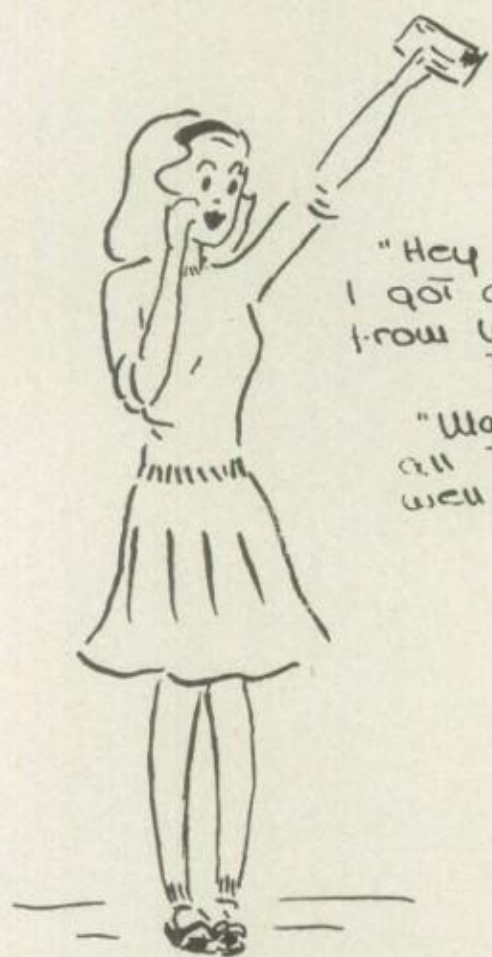
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The strains of a well modulated voice broke into the room. It was Mary Irwin's "Mary," we all screamed, forgetting that six years had gone by since such use of the lungs were permissible. Mary returned our greeting, after which she too told of her doings. She was still living in Springfield, but she was teaching elocution now. She was always so fond of talking. At this point, Polly whispered to me not to mention anything about Yale, as Mary had had a most unfortunate experience of late. Her husband, a Yale man, had gone back to his alma mater for a reunion, and one of the students there misheard Mary's husband's conversation, and thought he said "Harvard" instead of "harbored." Immediately the student had hit Mary's spouse. Mary was quite touchy about the subject . . . so was her husband! I was just saying to myself that Mary always had troubles, when Betty Thomas and Margot Fisher came in.

They had taken the same train out of Boston explained Betty. We asked her what she was doing in that city now, and Betty explained that she was a chemical technician in one of the labs there. Strange, we said we never thought Betty was exactly the craziest about chemistry. Betty laughed. "Well," she said, "it all happened in college. I was experimenting one day for nitric acid when I accidentally discovered a new type of bleach. Ever since then I got so interested in chemistry that I've followed it through, until now I am working in the field." I noticed that Betty really meant what she said about being "so interested" in her work . . . her hair was very blond now.

Margot's turn came to tell us of her doings. She said that she was running Miss Margot's Kiddie School. She had discovered a new technique for handling children . . . that of facial relaxation. She went on to explain her theory, but I did not quite grasp it since I have never been good at understanding such things. Anyway Margot concluded that she was writing a book on her ideas . . . it was to be called, "Scatey-Eight Ways to Further Your Youngster's Life." Sandy, with her sizable brood, was very interested in the whole subject, so she and Margot got into a technical discussion. I was trying to follow it again, when another of the old class of '47 entered . . . Put.

After everyone greeted her, Put told us how she had almost not come since they were picking strawberries on her farm in Connecticut. We questioned her about the place and she explained that farming wasn't for support. It was her husband's livelihood. She was still painting, and she found a store of material to paint in the country. She and Shirley immediately got together to talk about art.

So the evening wore on. We all talked and reminisced until we realized that most of us had trains to catch. With a little sadness, but promises to meet again, we left. Before I said goodbye to Breaker Inn, Nan asked me to drop something in the mailbox for her. I looked at what she handed me. It was a bunch of keys and attached to it was a disk such as those found on hotel keys. These words were printed on it . . . "In case these are lost, please return to Ralph D. Rutenber, Jr., MacDuffie School for Girls, Springfield, Mass." I looked at Nan. Then she laughed and told me that she had found the keys on the boardwalk. Apparently Mr. Rutenber had been in Atlantic City. As Nan walked with me to the door we looked at each other and said at the same time, "Things haven't really changed so much!"

As I stood waiting to hail a cab for the station I noticed Nan's children, Holly and Chester. Little Chester was being dragged along by his sister. I supposed that he had been playing hard. Poor little thing looked all dragged and fagged out. I waved at the two as I got into the cab.

Carefully I took off my shoes as I passed Mrs. Polaski's door. I crept up the stairs and finally got into my room. I crawled into bed. Odd, I thought, how you could meet old friends for a few hours and seem almost transported back to younger days, then suddenly leave them to go on back to your little life and world in the present. That reunion was like stopping traffic for a moment—only a moment.

It was one of those hot nights in New York. The pavements seemed actually to curl up with the heat. As usual I tossed on my bed . . . until I fell asleep. The next morning I would arise, avoid Mrs. Polaski, endure the heat, perhaps get another rejection from the publisher, but from time to time I would look back on my brief meeting with the class of '47 and smile.

PAT DUNN '47



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